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LEADERSHIP	
08.92 ~ 07.95	Activities Instructor, & then Assistant Scout Leader with 6 th New Forest North, Netley Marsh Scout Group, helping organise & run a wide variety of adventurous activities.
07.95 ~ 08.96	Venture Scout Instructor with 3 rd New Forest North, Colbury Scout Group, helping lead, & participating in a wide variety of adventurous activities for young people.
09.95 ~	Helped create the New Forest North Support Section, part of the Young Scout Fellowship, which organizes activities, for the District Scout & Venture Scout Units
10.04.05 – 15.04.05	Supervising Assistant with Manshead Upper School whilst they were on a residential course at Blue Peris Outdoor Centre, near Llanberis. This included 24 hour supervision & the following activities; Sea Level Traversing, Climbing, Abseiling, White Water Rafting, High Rope Trapeze & a mountain day.
CLIMBING	
17.04.04 – 18.04.04	Two day Rock Climbing Conversion course in Snowdonia, covering multi pitch climbs, gear placement, belay set-up & stance management. Run by Dragon Mountain Skills
31.01.05	One day Introduction to Ice Climbing, Franz Joseph Glacier. Guided.
04.03.05	Ice Climbing at the Ice Factor, Kinlochleven.

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MOUNTAIN WALKING	
14.02.98 – 20.02.98	Scottish Winter Mountaineering Course, Alltshellach. Organised by Plas y Brenin, covering ice axe & crampon use, winter navigation, & avalanche evaluation, also emergency procedures including snow shelter building, over coming cornices & rope work.
07.03	Pacific Crest Trail, Backpacking Expedition. A 9 day expedition, part of the Washington State section. Steven's Pass to High Bridge in the Northern Cascades. Mainly in the Henry M. Jackson & Glacier Peak Wilderness Areas, wild camping each night. With my brother. 07.07 – Stevens Pass to Lake Janus, by Lake Valhalla & The Union Gap. 08.07 – Lake Janus to Pear Lake, via Grizzly Peak, 5597' & Wenatchee Pass. 09.07 – Pear Lake to Lake Sally Ann, by Cady Pass. Side trip to Bench Mark Mountain, 5816'. 10.07 – Lake Sally Ann to White Pass, 5904', via Indian Gap. Side trip to White Mountain, 7043'. 11.07 – White Pass to Kennedy Ridge, via Red Pass, 6600', visiting Kennedy Hot Springs en route. 12.07 – Kennedy Ridge to Dolly Vista, via Fire Creek Pass, 6300' & Mica Lake. 13.07 – Dolly Vista to Miners Creek Camp, crossing the Suiattle River. 14.07 – Miners Creek Camp to Hemlock Camp via Suiattle Pass, 5983'. Side Trip to Lyman Glacier, 7100'. 15.07 – Walk out from Hemlock Camp to High Bridge, & shuttle to Stehekin. 16.07 – Boat out to Chelan, from Stehekin Landing.
07.04	North Rim & Long Range Traverses, Gros Morne National Park, Backpacking Expedition. A 5 day expedition in the Long Range Mountains, followed by a Day Walk on Tablelands. Camping at designated points on the route. With my brother. 17.07 – North Rim Traverse. Western Brook Pond to Snug Cove & unnamed pond SW of Crossing Point Pond. 18.07 – Unnamed Pond to Little Island Pond. Side trip to view Western Brook Pond from its E end. 19.07 – Long Range Traverse. Little Island Pond to Hardings Pond by Marks Pond. 20.07 – Marks Pond to Fern Gulch by Green Island Pond. 21.07 – Side trip to Gros Morne Mountain, then walk out to Rocky Harbour near Deer Brook. 22.07 – Day Walk on Tablelands, - Winterhouse Brook Loop to access plateau.

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08.04	<p>Wind River Range, Wyoming Rockies, Backpacking Expedition. An 11 day expedition in The Wind River Mountains, with extended side trips. Two people.</p> <p>08.08 – Big Sandy Opening Trailhead to Lonesome Lake in the Cirque of the Towers, by Jackass Pass, 10800'. 09.08 – Lonesome Lake to East Fork by Texas Pass, 11400' & the Shadow Lake Trail. 10.08 – East Fork to Sandpoint Lake along the Old Highline Trail. 11.08 – Sandpoint Lake to Hat Pass, 10848', via North Fork Lake & the Fremont Trail. 12.08 – Hat Pass to Island Lake, 10346', by Little Senaoa Lake & the Highline Trail. 13.08 – Day Walk to Titcomb Basin & Fremont Peak, 13745', by its SW slopes. 14.08 – Island Lake to Elbow Lake, 10777', by the Jean Lakes. 15.08 – Day Walk to Bow Mountain, 13020', by its SW face. 16.08 – Elbow Lake to Heart Lake, on the Canyon Trail. 17.08 – Heart Lake to Glimpse Lake, via the Trapper Lakes. 18.08 – Glimpse Lake to Elkhart Park Trailhead, by Crows Nest Lookout & Pine Creek.</p>
01.05	<p>New Zealand, Rangitoto Island</p> <p>22.01 – Day Walk. Rangitoto summit, from the Wharf. Return by Islington Bay & the Costal Track.</p>
01.05	<p>New Zealand, Arthur's Pass Area. Day Walks, followed by a 4 day tramp on the Waimakariri & Harman Pass Route. Solo.</p> <p>24.01 – Day Walk. Devil's Punchbowl & Bridal Veil Routes. 25.01 – Day Walk to Avalanche Peak, 6178', ascent by the Avalanche Trail, descent by Scott Trail.</p> <p>26.01 – Klondkye Corner to Carrington Hut, by Turkey Flat & the Anti Crow Hut. 27.01 – Carrington Hut to Julia Hut by the Clough Cableway & over Harman Pass, 4334'. 28.01 – Julia Hut to New Seven Mile Hut along the Taipo River, crossing the Scott Cableway. 29.01 – New Seven Mile Hut to Kelly Shelter via the Kelly Saddle, 3756' & Carroll Hut.</p>
02.05	<p>New Zealand, Mount Aspiring Area. A 4 day tramp crossing the Cascade Saddle. With a friend I met in Arthur's Pass.</p> <p>02.02 – Afternoon start in a heat wave. Raspberry Creek to Aspiring Hut, along the Matukituki Valley. 03.02 – Aspiring Hut to Dart Hut via Pylon, 6151', & The Cascade Saddle, with views of the Dart Glacier. 04.02 – Dart Hut to Daley's Flat Hut, via Cattle Flat & The Rock Bivi. 05.02 – Daley's Flat Hut to Chinaman's Flat via Sandy Bluff & Chinaman's Bluff.</p>

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02.05	<p>New Zealand, Aoraki Area. A Day Walk, & then a 2 day tramp overnighiting near the Mueller hut. Solo.</p> <p>07.02 – Day Walk to The Hooker Glacier, via Hooker Lake. Based out of the White Horse camp ground.</p> <p>08.02 – White Horse camp ground to Mueller Hut, by Sealy Tarns. Side trip to Mount Ollivier, 6342'. 09.02 – Sun Rise over the mountains, followed by a return to Mount Cook Village.</p>
02.05	<p>New Zealand, Tongariro Area. A 3 day tramp on the Tongariro Northern Circuit, followed by a Day Walk to the summit of Mount Ruapehu. Solo.</p> <p>11.02 – Tongariro Northern Circuit. Mangatepopo roadend to Oturere Hut, with side trips to Mount Ngauruhoe, 7504' & the Blue Lake. This includes most of the famous 'Tongariro Crossing'. 12.02 – Oturere Hut to Waihohonu Hut. Side trip to Ohinepango Springs. 13.02 – Waihohonu Hut to Whakapapa Village, with side trip to the Tama Lakes.</p> <p>15.02 – Day Walk to Mount Ruapehu crater rim, 9176', by Restful Ridge, from the top of the Waterfall Chair.</p>
02.06	<p>New Zealand, Nelson Lakes National Park. A 7 day tramp around the Travers, Sabine & D'Urville Valley's. Solo.</p> <p>06.02 – St. Arnaud township to high level camp on the St. Arnaud Range near Point 1616. 07.02 – Point 1616 to camp at confluence of Arnst & Travers River. Difficult Bush Bashing. 08.02 – Travers & Arnst confluence to Upper Travers Hut. Wet with fresh snow on the tops. 09.02 – Upper Travers Hut to Blue Lake Hut via the Travers Saddle 5863' & West Sabine Hut. 10.02 – Blue Lake Hut to New Morgan Hut via Moss Pass 5850' & Ella (George Lyon) Hut. 11.02 – New Morgan Hut to Speargrass Hut via the D'Urville River ford. 12.02 – Speargrass Hut to St. Arnaud township.</p>

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02.06	<p>New Zealand. Kahurangi National Park. A 5 day tramp in the west of the National Park. Mainly solo.</p> <p>16.02 – Little Wanganui township to camp at Bellbird Stream via Belltown Hut. Difficult Bush Bashing & route finding. 17.02 – Bellbird Stream to Kakapo Hut. A tough day. On average this hut receives 3 or 4 visits a year. 18.02 – Kakapo Hut to camp at Herbert Creek & Taipo River confluence via Kakapo Saddle. 19.02 – Herbert Creek & Taipo River confluence to Belltown Hut via Taipo Hut & Little Wanganui Saddle. 20.02 – Belltown Hut to Little Wanganui roadend. With Belgium Stefan.</p>
02.06	<p>New Zealand. Paparoa National Park. The Inland Pack Track. Solo.</p> <p>23.02 – Punakaiki to camp at Bullock Creek Farm. Side trip to Mount Bovis 4107'. Several fords. Woken at midnight by SAR (Search and Rescue) looking for overdue Japanese Tramper. 24.02 – Bullock Creek Farm to camp at Fox River near the Ballroom Overhang. Deep ford of Fox River. 25.02 – Fox River to Timomoana roadend. Side trip to Fox River caves.</p> <p>The next day I learnt from DoC (Department of Conservation) that the Japanese Tramper had died, probably of a heart attack whilst fording the Fox River. His body was found by a canoe search team.</p>
02.06 – 03.06	<p>New Zealand. West Coast. A 6 day tramp up the Wanganui River from Hairhari. Solo. Day trips from Franz Joseph & Fox Glacier.</p> <p>28.02 – Harihari township to camp at Jones Flat. 01.03 – Jones Flat to Smythe Hut. A difficult day in poor weather including travel around & over house sized boulders. 02.03 – Day trips from Smythe Hut & the hot pools, one of the best on South Island. 03.03 – Smythe Hut to Hunters Hut. 04.03 – Hunters Hut to camp at Rainbow Flat. 05.03 – Rainbow Flat to Harihari township.</p> <p>06.03 – Day Walk to Alex Knob 2475' from Franz Joseph township. 07.03 – Day Walk on Fox Glacier in terrible weather. Guided. 09.03 – Gillespie's Beach to Galway Beach Seal Colony & return.</p>

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03.06	<p>New Zealand. Mount Aspiring National Park. A 6 day tramp around the Makarora region. Mainly solo.</p> <p>11.03 – Jet boat from West Makarora township to Young River confluence. Walk in to Old Young Hut. 12.03 – Young Hut to Kerin Forks Hut via Gillespie's Pass 5344' & Siberia Valley. Ice Axe & Crampons required on the pass with the first snows of the Autumn. Ford of Wilken River required. 13.03 – Kerin Forks Hut to Top Forks Hut. Side trip to Lucidus Lake with Lars from Sweden. 14.03 – Side trip to Rabbit Pass & The Waterfall Face. 15.03 – Side trip to Lake Castalia. Walk from Top Forks Hut to camp at Jumboland. 16.03 – Jumboland to Wilken River. Jet boat out to West Makarora township.</p>
03.06	<p>New Zealand. Mount Aspiring National Park. Routeburn & Caples Tracks. 2 People. An easy trip with spectacular scenery.</p> <p>18.03 – SH94 at The Divide to camp at Lake Mackenzie. Exceptionally wet. 19.03 – Lake Mackenzie to camp at Routeburn Flats via Harris Saddle. Side trip to Conical Hill 4970'. 20.03 – (am) Routeburn Flats to Routeburn Shelter roadend, then shuttle to Glenorchy. 20.03 – (pm) Boat across Lake Wakatipu. Walk to Upper Caples Hut via Mid Caples Hut. 21.03 – Upper Caples Hut to camp at Greenstone Saddle via McKellar Saddle. Side trip to Key Summit. 22.03 – Greenstone Saddle to SH94 at The Divide.</p>
03.06	<p>New Zealand. Fiordland National Park. The Dusky Track. 6 People. One of the more remote marked trails in New Zealand.</p> <p>23.03 – Boat from Clifton road across Lake Hauroko. Walk from Hauroko Burn Hut to Halfway Hut. 24.03 – Halfway Hut to Loch Roe Hut. Side trip to Loch Roe. 25.03 – Loch Roe Hut to Loch Maree Hut across The Pleasant Range. 26.03 – Loch Maree Hut to Supper Cove Hut where we met Alan the Moose Hunter who took us out on Dusky Sound in his dingy. 27.03 – Supper Cove Hut to Kintail Hut via Loch Maree Hut. 28.03 – Kintail Hut to Upper Spey Hut via Centre Pass. 29.03 – Upper Spey Hut to Lake Manapouri at West Arm. Boat to Manapouri township.</p>

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03.06 – 04.06	<p>New Zealand. Fiordland National Park. A mixture of huts & camping on The Kepler Track (one of New Zealand's Great Walks). Solo.</p> <p>31.03 – Te Anau township to camp at Brod Bay. An easy day, with time for swimming in Lake Manapouri. 01.04 – Brod Bay to camp at Iris Burn via Mount Luxmore 4829'. Side trip to Luxmore caves. 02.04 – Iris Burn to Shallow Bay Hut via Moturau Hut. Extensive Beech Forests. 03.04 – Shallow Bay Hut to Te Anau township along the Waiau River.</p>
04.06	<p>New Zealand. Stewart Island. An 11 day trip on the very muddy & unique North West Circuit, staying at huts. 2 People.</p> <p>05.04 – Oban township to Port William Hut via Maori Beach. 06.04 – Port William Hut to Christmas Village Hut via Bungeree Hut & Murray Beach. 07.04 – Side trip to Mount Anglem 3215', the highest point on Stewart Island, from where almost all its coast is visible. 08.04 – Christmas Village Hut to Yankee River Hut. Yankee River has a fantastic & noisy tidal bore. 09.04 – Yankee River Hut to Long Harry Hut via Smokey Beach. 10.04 – Long Harry Hut to East Ruggedy Hut via East Ruggedy Beach & Stream. 11.04 – East Ruggedy Hut to Big Hellfire Hut. One of the muddiest sections of track, but also with huge sand dunes. 12.04 – Big Hellfire Hut to Mason's Bay Hut. Miles of deserted sand along Mason's Bay. 13.04 – Kiwi spotting at Mason's Bay. We spotted several, all at dusk or night. 14.04 – Mason's Bay Hut to North Arm Hut via Freshwater Landing Hut. 15.04 – North Arm Hut to Oban township. Back for coffee & cake.</p>
04.06	<p>New Zealand. Fiordland National Park. 3 nights on the South Coast & Tuatapere Hump Ridge Tracks. A mixture of huts & camping. Solo.</p> <p>19.04 – Rarakau Farm to Okaka Hut. Side trip to Point 1010 on The Hump Ridge. 20.04 – Okaka Hut to Percy Burn Hut via The Hump Ridge. Side trip to Wairaurahiri Hut. 21.04 – Percy Burn Hut to camp at Blow Cliff's Beach along the low tide route on Mussel Beach. 22.04 – Blow Cliff's Beach to Rarakau Farm.</p>
04.06	<p>New Zealand. Fiordland National Park. Overnight camping in the Manapouri Area. Solo.</p> <p>24.04 – Boat across the Waiau River. Walk to camp at Back Valley Hut via The Circle Track. Side trip to Lake Rakatu. 25.04 – Back Valley Hut to Waiau River via Hope Arm Hut & Lake Manapouri. Boat out across the Waiau River.</p>

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04.06 – 05.06	<p>New Zealand. Fiordland National Park. A 5 day trip over Dore Pass & along The Milford Track ("The Finest Walk in the World") staying at huts. 3 People.</p> <p>27.04 – Eglinton Valley to Clinton Hut via the Mureon Burn & Dore Pass. Ford of the Eglinton River W Branch required. 28.04 – Clinton Hut to Mintaro Hut along the Clinton River W Branch. 29.04 – Mintaro Hut to Dumpling Hut via Mackinnon Pass 3507'. Side trip to the 3 tier Sutherland Falls, a 1903' drop. 30.04 – Side trip from Dumpling Hut, exploring creeks off of the Arthur River. 01.05 – Dumpling Hut to Sandfly Point. Side trip to Mackay Falls. Boat out across the Arthur River to Milford Sound.</p>
05.06	<p>Australia. Blue Mountain's & Morton National Parks. Day Walks in some of New South Wales' most spectacular scenery.</p> <p>09.05 – The Blue Mountain's & Three Sisters walk from Katoomba. 11.05 - 'Grand Canyon' & Govetts Leap from Blackheath.</p>
06.06	<p>New Zealand. Arthur's Pass National Park. A 3 day winter trip linking the Minga & Edwards Rivers, staying at huts. Ice Axe & Crampons required. Solo.</p> <p>09.06 – SH6 at Greyneys Shelter to Goat Pass Hut, up the Minga River. 10.06 – Goat Pass Hut to Edwards Hut via Lake Mavis, N ridge of Mount Oates 5905' & Taruahuna Pass. 11.06 - Edwards Hut to SH6 at Arthur's Pass Village, down the Edwards River. Last section in terrible weather.</p>
06.06	<p>New Zealand. Mount Richmond Forest Park. A Day Walk in an area that had escaped the 100cm of snow that fell on most of South Island. 4 People.</p> <p>17.06 – Richmond Saddle roadend to Richmond Saddle Hut & return.</p>
07.06	<p>New Zealand. Banks Peninsula. A 2 day winter trip in the Mount Herbert Area, staying at a hut. 2 people.</p> <p>08.07 – Diamond Harbour to Sign of the Packhorse Hut, via a snowy Mount Herbert 3015'. 09.07 – Sign of the Packhorse Hut to Diamond Harbour via Mount Bradley. Bit of a Scrub Bash.</p>
08.06	<p>New Zealand. Arthur's Pass National Park. A 2 day winter trip in the Lagoon Saddle Area, staying at a shelter. Ice Axe & Crampons required. 2 people.</p> <p>19.08 – SH73 at Cora Lynn to Lagoon Saddle 'Hut'. Side trip to Mount Bruce 5259'. Deep snow. 20.08 – Lagoon Saddle Hut to SH73 at Cora Lynn via Bealey Hut.</p>

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08.06	<p>New Zealand. Kaikora. A weekend winter trip on Mount Fyffe, staying at a hut. Ice Axe & Crampons required. 2 people.</p> <p>26.08 – Mount Fyffe roadend to Mount Fyffe Hut via Sandy Saddle. Winter skills practice on a claggy afternoon. 27.08 – Side trip to Mount Fyffe 5256'. Return to Mount Fyffe roadend.</p>
09.06	<p>New Zealand. Banks Peninsula. A Day Walk in the hills around Akaroa. 2 people.</p> <p>03.09 – Akaroa to Stony Bay Peak Saddle & return, via the Grehan Stream.</p>
09.06	<p>New Zealand. Mount Somers. A 2 day winter trip on Mount Somers, staying at a hut. Ice Axe & Crampons required. 2 people.</p> <p>09.09 – Shaplin Falls roadend to Woolshed Creek Hut via Mount Somers summit 5535' & plateau. Whiteout conditions. 10.09 – Return to Shaplin Falls roadend via Pinnacles Hut & The Mount Somers Walkway.</p>
09.06	<p>New Zealand. North Cape. 4 hot days on The Cape Reinga Walkway at the very top of North Island. Camping throughout. 2 people.</p> <p>23.09 – Te Paki Stream roadend to camp at Twilight Beach, crossing Scott Point. Limited water supplies. 24.09 – Twilight Beach to camp at Sandy Bay via Cape Reinga. 25.09 – Sandy Bay to camp at Pandora along Darkies Ridge. Side trip to Spirit's Bay Lagoon. Great mussels for tea. 26.09 – Pandora to Tapotupoto Bay. Out by bus along 90 Mile Beach – the smoothest road in New Zealand!</p>
09.06 – 10.06	<p>New Zealand. Tongariro National Park. A 6 day winter trip on the Around the Mountain & Northern Circuits, staying at huts. Ice Axe required. 2 people.</p> <p>30.09 – Whakapapa Village to Mangaturutura Hut. 5 crazy Kiwi kids turned up at 21:30 after walking down a waterfall in the dark whilst on their Duke of Edinburgh Award. 01.10 – Mangaturutura Hut to Mangaehueho Hut via the Turoa Ski Area. Here we met Possum Hunter Alan. 02.10 – Mangaehueho Hut to Rangipo Hut, with Possum Hunter Alan. A desolate volcanic landscape. Wet. 03.10 – Rangipo Hut to Oturere Hut via Waihohonu Hut & on to the Northern Circuit. 04.10 – Oturere Hut to Mangatepopo Hut over the Tongariro Crossing 6102'. Later that evening there was a violent storm & Mount Ruapehu erupted as well. 05.10 – Mangatepopo Hut to Whakapapa Village. A cold morning as the storm was replaced by more settled air.</p>

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10.06	<p>New Zealand. Taranaki National Park. A 5 day winter trip walking right around the mountain, staying at huts. Ice Axe & Crampons required. 2 people.</p> <p>09.10 – North Egmont Visitor's Centre to Waingongoro Hut via Maketawa Hut. A wet & stormy day. 10.10 – Waingongoro Hut to Lake Dive Hut at low level. Abandoned high level track at Hooker Shelter in blizzard. 11.10 – Lake Dive Hut to Waiaua Gorge Hut. High level route needing winter kit. Poor conditions again. 12.10 – Waiaua Gorge Hut to Holly Hut. Navigational problems saw us retracing an hour on the Pyramid Stream. 13.10 – Holly Hut to North Egmont. A sunny day. Police 4x4 kindly gave us a (scary) ride back off of the mountain.</p>
10.06	<p>New Zealand. Abel Tasman National Park. 2 nights camping along the Coastal Track. Easy walking, with great scenery but somewhat crowded. 2 people.</p> <p>19.10 – Marahau township to camp at Medland's Beach via Torrent Bay low tide route. 20.10 – Medland's Beach to camp at Anapai Bay via Bark Bay high tide route, Awaroa Bay & Totaranui. 21.10 – Anapai Bay to Wainui Bay roadend. The rain signified the start of a month of unsettled Spring weather.</p>
10.06	<p>New Zealand. Kahurangi National Park. A 5 day trip on the Heaphy Track (one of New Zealand's Great Walks). A mixture of camping & huts. 3 people.</p> <p>22.10 – Brown Hut roadend to camp at Perry Saddle Hut. Constant rain. Camp area in a swamp. We got soaked. 23.10 – Perry Saddle Hut to Saxon Hut across Goulard Downs. Scenery reminiscent of E Cairngorms. Weather worse. 24.10 – Saxon Hut to James Mackay Hut. Third day of rain was relieved by glorious sunset over The Tasman Sea. 25.10 – James Mackay Hut to camp at Heaphy Hut. A gorgeous day which we treasured, walking amongst palms. 26.10 – Heaphy Hut to Kohaihai Shelter roadend.</p>
10.06 – 11.06	<p>New Zealand. Kahurangi National Park. 8 days on the Leslie Karamea, with a look at Mount Arthur as well. A mixture of camping & huts. 2 people.</p> <p>27.10 – Little Wanganui to Stag Flat Hut via Little Wanganui Saddle. A long day with a difficult & dangerous fresh slip to negotiate. It almost was dark by the time we arrived at the hut, then later Carol was ill in the night. 28.10 – Stag Flat Hut to Trevor Carter Hut, via Taipo Hut. A beautiful morning, rain by 15:00 29.10 – Stuck at Trevor Carter Hut. 24 hours continuous rain, we couldn't even cross a side creek to get to the bridge. 30.10 – Trevor Carter Hut to Venus Hut via Thor Hut. Cold ford of Kendall Creek. Interesting wire section. 31.10 – Venus Hut to camp at Leslie Flats via Crow & Karamea Bend Huts. 01.11 – Leslie Flats to Salisbury Lodge via Splugeon's Rock Shelter & The Tablelands. A dry day. 02.11 – Salisbury Lodge to camp at Flora Hut via Gordon's Pyramid & Mount Arthur Hut. Side trip to Mt. Arthur 5889' 03.11 – Flora Hut to Flora Saddle roadend. A kind Australian couple gave us a ride back to Motueka.</p>

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11.06	<p>New Zealand. Arthur's Pass National Park. A week mainly in the Taipo Valley, staying in huts. Ice Axe & Crampons required. 2 people.</p> <p>05.11 – SH6 at Kelly Shelter to Carroll Hut. After an afternoon start it rained constantly whilst we walked. 06.11 – Carroll Hut to Dillon's Hut. Poor visibility crossing The Kelly Range, further heavy rain. 07.11 – Stuck at Dillon's Hut. After 27 hours of rain the Taipo was huge & there was a river running under the hut. 08.11 – Dillon's Hut to Mid Taipo Hut. 2 big fords of side creeks. Crossed the Taipo by cableway, we were waist deep in water to reach the cableway. 09.11 – Mid Taipo Hut to Julia Hut. Unsuccessful attempt to cross Newton Pass, as Dunn's Creek was unfordable. Headed up to Julia Hut to find all the hot pools washed out. 10.11 – Julia Hut to Hunt's Creek Hut via Dry Creek (it wasn't) & Hunt's Ridge. Fresh snow above 4250'. A bit slabby. 11.11 – Hunt's Creek Hut to SH6 at Kelly Shelter. It rained constantly & we were lucky to get out before getting stuck again.</p> <p>12.11 – Day Walk from Arthur's Pass village to Point 1844 on Mount Aitkin. The great forecasted weather deteriorated in to a blizzard.</p> <p>The day after we left Arthur's Pass another storm hit the area. Later we learnt that the Bealey River broke through the flood defences in the village, closing SH73 & running 200m wide. The Hokitika river recorded its highest water level for 150 years & as we drove over it we could see trees floating down it. At this point we decided to leave the West Coast, cross The Main Divide & find some better weather.</p>
11.06	<p>New Zealand. Mount Aspiring National Park. A 7 day trip on The Five Passes Route. Camping throughout. Ice Axe & Crampons required. 2 people.</p> <p>17.11 – Routeburn Shelter roadend to camp at Sugarloaf Stream. Failed to find the marked route & ended up Bush Bashing. Camped in dripping wet bush in a 2m square section of flattish ground. 18.11 – Sugarloaf Stream to camp at Theatre Flat on the Rockburn via Sugar Loaf Pass 3786'. 19.11 – Theatre Flat to camp at Hidden Falls Creek via Park Pass 3858'. Steep descent to Hidden Falls Creek. 20.11 – Hidden Falls Creek to camp at The Fohn Lakes, via Cow Saddle, a snow covered Fiery Col 5072' & the Olivine Ledge (a large flat ledge between the 1100m & 1200m contours). 21.11 – The Fohn Lakes to camp in the Bean's Burn via Fohn Saddle 4940'. 22.11 – Bean's Burn to camp at Rockburn Hut, via the Dart River Valley. Ford of the Bean's Burn required. 23.11 – Rockburn Hut to Lake Sylvan roadend.</p>

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11.06	<p>New Zealand. Mount Aspiring National Park. Rees & Dart Valleys, mainly staying in huts. 3 people.</p> <p>24.11 – Chinaman's Bluff to Daley's Flat Hut. 25.11 – Daley's Flat Hut to Dart Hut. 26.11 – Side trip from Dart Hut to The Whitborn Valley & glacier which was severely affected by glacial recession. 27.11 – Side trip from Dart Hut to The Cascade Saddle. Fantastic views to Mount Aspiring. 28.11 – Dart Hut to Shelter Rock Hut via Rees Saddle in poor weather conditions. 29.11 – Shelter Rock Hut to camp at 25 Mile (Mice) Hut in heavy & continuous rain. We had to camp as the mice had taken over the hut & water poured down the chimney. 30.11 – 25 Mile Hut to Rees Valley roadend. Snow just above hut level. Freezing cold.</p> <p>Later we learnt that on the 30.11 there had been 18" of new snow at Routeburn Falls Hut & DoC had closed the tracks.</p>
12.06	<p>New Zealand. Mount Aspiring National Park. East Matukituki to Wilken Traverse via The Albert Burn & Mid Jumboland Crossing. Camping throughout. Ice Axe & Crampons required. 2 people.</p> <p>01.12 – East Matukituki (Cameron Flat footbridge) roadend to camp at Kitchener Flats, via E Matukituki Junction Flat. 02.12 – Kitchener Flats to camp at the Upper Flats of the S Branch of the Albert Burn, via Albert Burn Saddle 5515'. 03.12 – Upper Flats to camp at Albert Burn Junction Flat. A very difficult Scrub Bash. 04.12 – Junction Flat to flats below Jumboland Crossing, via Meat Safe Flat. 1 swimming section. 05.12 – Jumboland Crossing Flats to high level camp on Jumboland Crossing 5118'. Long snow slopes with nasty run out. Side trip to attempt to summit Mount Jumbo. 06.12 – Jumboland Crossing to camp at Dan's Flat via Kerin Forks Hut & ford of the Wilken River. 07.12 – Dan's Flat to Makarora. Long & difficult ford of the Makarora River. Off to the café to warm up.</p>
12.06	<p>New Zealand. Aoraki National Park. An overnight trip on the side of The Tasman Glacier. 2 people. A Day Walk in The Hooker Valley.</p> <p>08.12 – Tasman Valley roadend to Ball Shelter Hut. 09.12 – Return to Tasman Valley roadend & Mount Cook Village after a look at some of the glaciers.</p> <p>10.12 – Hooker Valley to The Hooker Lake & return.</p>

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01.07	<p>Australia. Maria Island. Three day easy backpack off of the coast of Tasmania. 2 people.</p> <p>21.01 – Darlington Bay to Encampment Cove via the Painted Cliffs. 22.01 – Side trip to Haunted Bay. My first encounter with snakes. 23.01 – Encampment Cove to Darlington Bay, Side trip to Mount Maria.</p>
01.07	<p>Australia. Western Arthurs. Originally planned a complete traverse of the Western Arthurs. Abandoned due to poor weather. 2 people.</p> <p>25.01 – Scott's Peak Dam to Base of Alpha Moraine. My first encounter with leeches. 26.01 – Alpha Moraine to Lake Oberon via Lake Ceres and Lake Cygnus. 27.01 – Stuck at Lake Oberon with 5cm hail on the tent. 28.01 – Stuck at Lake Oberon in continuous heavy rain and hail. 29.01 – Retreat from Lake Oberon to Junction Creek. 30.01 – Junction Creek to Scott's Peak Dam.</p>
02.07	<p>Australia. Moonlight Ridge and the Southern Ranges. A tough 7 day backpack across Tasmania's Southern Ranges, including a three hour wade down a lagoon and 2 days of thick scrub. 2 people.</p> <p>02.02 – Ida Bay to Pigsty Ponds along the Moonlight Ridge. 03.02 – Pigsty Ponds to Leaning Tea Tree Saddle, via Pinder's Peak. Difficult bush bash. 04.02 – Leaning Tea Tree Saddle to Precipitous Bluff Low Camp. 05.02 – Low Camp to New River Lagoon, over Precipitous Bluff. 06.02 – New River Lagoon to Surprise Bay, via Prion Beach and the South Coast Track. (Wade of New River Lagoon) 07.02 – Surprise Bay to South Cape Rivulet. 08.02 – South Cape Rivulet to Cackle Creek.</p>

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02.07	<p>Australia. Franklin Gordon Wild Rivers National Park. (Frenchman's Cap). A 4 day backpack on one of the few Australian tracks with back country huts. 2 people.</p> <p>09.02 – Evening camp on the Franklin River with the biggest Mozzies in the world. 10.02 – Franklin River to Lake Vera Hut, via the Sodden Lodden's. 11.02 – Lake Vera Hut to Lake Tahune Hut. Side trip to Frenchman's Cap summit 4744' 12.02 – Lake Tahune Hut to Lake Vera Hut. 13.02 – Lake Vera Hut to A10 road trailhead at the Franklin River.</p>
02.07	<p>Australia. Adelaide Region. An attempt to walk the Yurrebilla Trail in 38' heat. Abandoned. Retreated to campsite. Retreated to air conditioned hostel. 2 people.</p> <p>16.02 – Belair Railway Station to Belair National Park campsite. Spend night drowning in sweat. 17.02 – Back to Belair Railway Station!</p>
03.07	<p>Australia. Perth Bush. Weekend backpack on the Bibb Track. 2 people.</p> <p>24.03 – Kalamunda to Hewitt's Hill campsite. 25.03 – Hewitt's Hill to Mundaring Weir.</p>
04.07	<p>Australia. Perth Bush. Easter backpack on the Bibb Track. 2 people.</p> <p>07.04 – Sullivan's Rock to Nerang Campsite via Mount Cooke. (all of 1909', wished it was Mount Cook) 08.04 – Nerang Campsite to North Bannister.</p>

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06.07	<p>Australia. Perth Bush. Long weekend backpack on the Bibb Track. 2 people.</p> <p>02.06 – Balingup to Grimwade Campsite. Last hour in dark. 03.06 – Grimwade Campsite to Yabberup Campsite. Finished in dark. 04.06 – Yabberup Campsite to Collie. Made it for lunch at the Victoria Hotel.</p>
08.07 – 09.07	<p>Australia. Perth Bush. Four individual day walks in the bush surrounding Perth with a member of the Perth Bushwalking Club.</p> <p>11.08 – The three mountains walk. (Carol also). From Sullivan's Rock. 25.08 – Eagle's View Walk Trail, in John Forest National Park. 01.09 – Mount Dale. Mainly off track including some climbing. 10.09 – Serpentine Falls walk.</p>
09.07	<p>Australia. Kalbarri Gorge. A four day backpack in the heat of the Kalbarri (Murchison) Gorge. 3 people.</p> <p>18.09 – Evening camp below Ross Graham lookout. 19.09 – Ross Graham lookout to Little Z Bend. 20.09 – Little Z Bend to Z Bend. 21.09 – Z Bend to Canoe Base camp, beyond Four Ways. Included pack floating sections. 22.09 – Canoe Base camp to The Loop.</p>
10.07	<p>Australia. Bibb Track. An 11 day section of Western Australia's long distance track. Heading south from Pemberton. 2 people.</p> <p>10.10 – Pemberton to Blackberry Pool, climbing the Gloucester Tree and via Warren Campsite. 11.10 – Blackberry Pool to south of Northcliffe via Schafer Campsite. 12.10 – Northcliffe to Lake Marringup via Gardner Campsite. 13.10 – Lake Marringup to Dog Pool Campsite. 14.10 – Dog Pool to Mount Chance Campsite. 15.10 – Mount Chance to Mandalay Beach via Woolpacks Campsite. 16.10 – Mandalay Beach to Thompson Cove via Long Point Campsite and Nuyts Wilderness Area. 17.10 – Thompson Cove to Walpole. 18.10 – Walpole to Giants Campsite via Frankland River Campsite. 19.10 – Giants Campsite to Rame Head Campsite. 20.10 – Rame Head Campsite to Peaceful Bay.</p>

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10.07	<p>Australia. Stirling Range. A 3 day traverse of the Stirling Ridge Walk, Western Australia's only Alpine route. 3 people.</p> <p>21.10 – Stirling Range Retreat. Boundary fence walk in, to below Ellen Peak. 22.10 – Below Ellen Peak to Sheoak Col, via the traverse of the Three Arrows and Bakers Knob. 23.10 – Sheoak Col to Bluff Knoll car park, via Isongerup Peak.</p>
11.07	<p>Nepal. Annapurna Circuit. An 18 day lodge based trek around Annapurna including crossing the Thorung La, 17770'. 2 people.</p> <p>05.11 – Besi Sahar to Bhulbhule. 06.11 – Bhulbhule to Khanigaon, via Nadi Bazar and Bahundanda. 07.11 – Khanigaon to Tal via Chamje and past the Maoist revolutionaries. 08.11 – Tal to Koto via Dharapani and the higher level track to Timang. 09.11 – Koto to Lower Pisang via Chame. 10.11 – Lower Pisang to Manang 11615'. 11.11 – Acclimatisation day at Manang. Side trip towards Kicho Tal (The Ice Lake) 12.11 – Manang to Yak Kharka. 13.11 – Yak Kharka to Thorung Phedi 14600' 14.11 – Thorung Phedi to Muktinath, crossing the Thorung La 17770'. 15.11 – Muktinath to Jomsom via Kagbeni. 16.11 – Jomson to Kaiapani. 17.11 – Kaiapani to Tatopani, via Ghasa. 18.11 – Tatopani to Ghorepani. More Maoists. 19.11 – Early morning climb to Poon Hill. Ghorepani to Tadapani. 20.11 – Tadapani to Jhinu. Visit to hot springs. 21.11 – Jhinu to Pothana. 22.11 – Pothana to Phedi and on by taxi to Pokhara.</p>

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MOUNTAIN BIKING	
08.96	Mountain Biking, Northern Cairngorms :- 26.08 – Lagganlia to Cairngorms ski centre. 27.08 – Lagganlia to Loch Einich before walk on Cairngorms Plateau. 29.08 – Glen Feshie Circuit.
03.97 ~ 04.97	Mountain Biking, Loch Aber Area :- 29.03 – Glen Nevis & Nevis Forest. 31.03 – River Lochy Circuit.
03.98 ~ 04.98	Mountain Biking, Loch Treig Area :- 30.03 – Circuit around Loch Laggan Forest. 01.04 – Fersit to Strathossian House on forest tracks before walk up Beinn na Lap.
03.99	Mountain Biking, Cairngorms :- 23.03 – Braemar & Glen Callater before walk on Lochnagar. 25.03 – Braemar & Derry Lodge before walk up Ben Macdui. 26.03 – Baddoch to Braemar after walk up Glas Maol.
05.03	Mountain Biking, Black Mountains :- 16.05 – Pengerfordd to Brecon (via Llangorse) & return, mainly off road.
10.04	Mountain Biking, Peak District :- 16.10 Upper Derwent Valley & Win Hill, from Ladybower Reservoir.
02.05	Mountain Biking, New Zealand / Tongariro :- 14.02 – Fishers Traverse from National Park Village, return by Raurimu.
10.05	Mountain Biking, Peak District :- 22.10 – Jacob's Ladder from Upper Booth, then Highgate Road & Pennine Bridleway to Chapel Gate track.
03.06	Mountain Biking, New Zealand – Fox Glacier :- 09.03 – Fox Village to Gillespie's Beach & return.

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FIRST AID	
30.10.04 – 31.10.04	REC Emergency First Aid Course, Calshot Activity Centre.
SKIING & SKI TOURING	
03.99~	With uplift :- 23.03.99 – Lecht. 23.12.03 – Glenshee. 04.03.05 – Glenshee. 22.12.07 – Cairngorm.
03.05~	Ski Touring :- 01.03.05 – Morrone from Inverey via Carn Mór. Descent & return by Corriemulzie Burn. Poor conditions later on. Solo. 02.03.05 – Glen Quoich from Inverey via Mar Lodge. Deep drifting snow meant attempt on Carn na Drochaide had to be abandoned. Solo. 23.12.07 – Cairngorm Plateau north from Ben Macdui. Wind assisted, even up hill!
OTHER	
25.08.94 – 31.08.94	25th Southampton VSU Open Canoeing Expedition. 5 day Canadian canoeing trip down the Shannon River, including 4 nights wild camping. From Lough Allen, to Lanesborough on Lough Ree. This was part of an 11 day exploration of Western Ireland.
01.04.02	Visit to National Mountaineering Exhibition at Rheged.
18.06.05	½ day Coasteering, Pembrokeshire.
21.10.05	Visit to Treak Cliff Cavern, Peak District, giving a good explanation of the areas Geology.
10.05.06	Visit to Jenolan Caves, in The Blue Mountains, explaining the formation of the area.

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15.11.06	Exploration of the Fox Glacier, as far as the first Ice Fall. 2 People.
25.11.07 – 26.11.07	Jungle Safari, Royal Chitwan National Park.

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